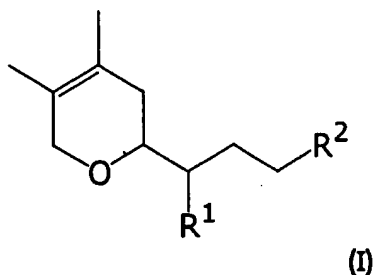


Claims

1. A compound of the general formula (I)



wherein,

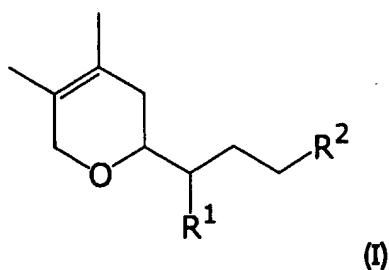
$R^1 = \text{H}, \text{CH}_3 \text{ or } \text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$,

$R^2 = \text{H}, \text{CH}_3, \text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3 \text{ or } \text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$,

provided that when R^1 is H, R^2 is H.

2. A compound according to claim 1 selected from the group consisting of 2-(1-ethylpropyl)-4,5-dimethyl-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; 4,5-dimethyl-2-propyl-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; 4,5-dimethyl-2-(1-methylpropyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; 4,5-dimethyl-2-(1-methylbutyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; or mixtures thereof.

3. The use as a fragrance ingredient of a compound of the formula (I)



wherein,

R^1 is H, CH_3 or CH_2CH_3 , and

R^2 is H, CH_3 , CH_2CH_3 , $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$

4. Use according to claim 3 wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of 2-butyl-4,5-dimethyl-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; 4,5-dimethyl-2-pentyl-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; 2-(1-ethylpropyl)-4,5-dimethyl-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; 2-hexyl-4,5-dimethyl-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; 4,5-dimethyl-2-propyl-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; 4,5-dimethyl-2-(1-methylpropyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; 4,5-dimethyl-2-(1-methylbutyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyran; or mixtures thereof.
5. A fragrance composition comprising at least one compound as defined in claim 3 or claim 4.
6. A method of conferring a desired fragrance on a fragrance composition, comprising the blending with known fragrance ingredients and/or excipients of at least one compound as defined in claim 3 or claim 4.